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ORDERED YOUR CHRISTMAS WOOD YET?

If not, time is really running short. Makers of woods need lead time to get them made and shipped to you. CAWMC member **Jerry Remick** has forwarded to me his annual information package from wood manufacturers for your convenience (see pages four, five and six). Please use this information and order your woods a.s.a.p. Don't leave it until too late. Your editor would like to show all Christmas woods issued for the year 2000. Please send them, or a photo copy of same, along to me with any pertinent information in regards to obtaining them, and I will show them in a future newsletter. Thank you in advance.

NEED MATERIAL:

Your editor has run out of 'wooden money' related material. I urge you to please send in your submissions in order to avoid a month with no newsletter. **"Timber Talk" is your newsletter** and it depends on its members to provide information on new/old woods, anecdotes etc., for its publication. Every bit of information is important. Send it to me now. I look forward to hearing from you. Thank you.

SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL TIME:

This yearly process of again renewing our subscriptions is upon us. With that in mind, I have included, with this newsletter, a membership renewal form that can be conveniently used to renew your CAWMC membership for the year ²⁰⁰¹ 2000. Please send it off to our membership chairman, **Al Munro** now. His address is on the form and also with the membership dues information found on the bottom of page two of each newsletter. An early renewal makes Al's task much easier. Thank you for your prompt response.

I wish to apply for or renew my membership in the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors for the calendar year 2001.

Dues are: Can. Resident- \$10.00 Canadian funds

U.S. Resident- \$10.00 U.S. funds

International Resident(outside Can. & U.S.)- \$20.00 Canadian funds

Youth(16 years of age and under)- \$5.00 Canadian funds

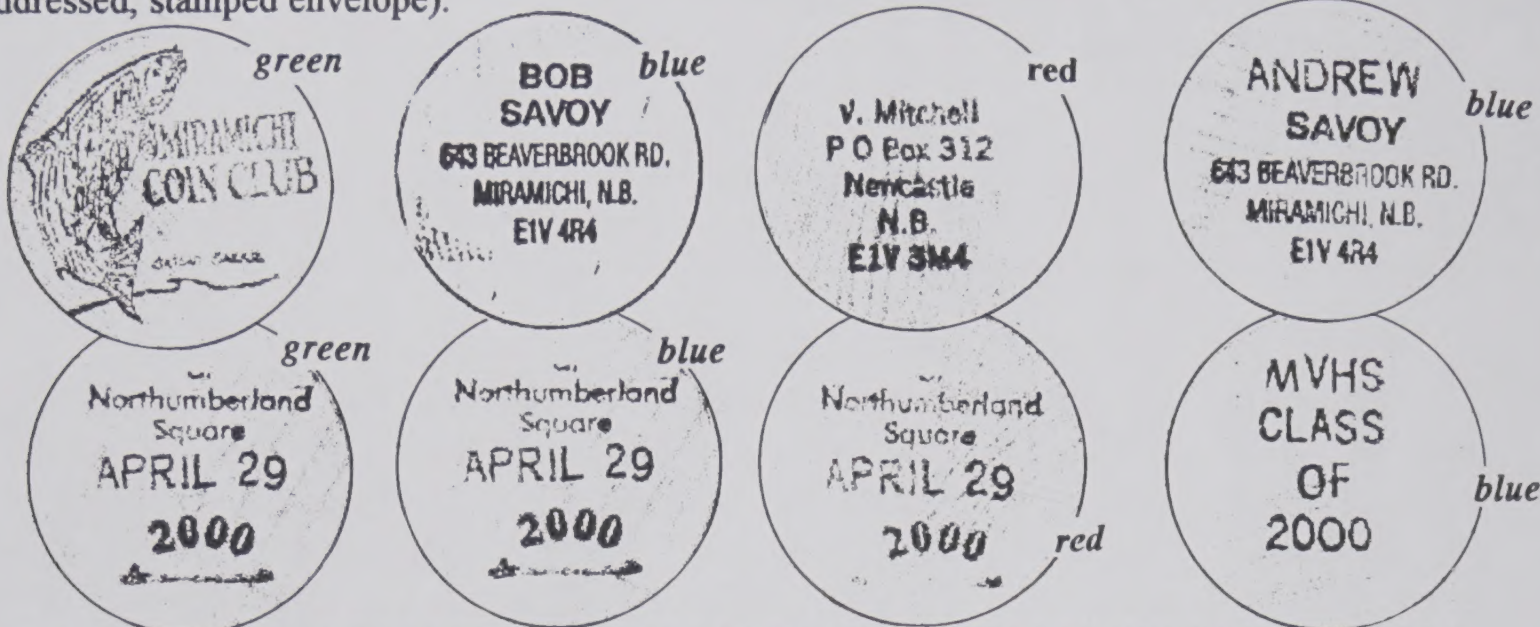
Name.....
Address.....

Mail this application along with cheque or money order to:

Mr. Al Munro
Box 2643 Stn. 'M' Calgary,
Alberta, Canada T2P 3C1

NEW WOODS:

While at the C.N.A. convention in Ottawa, I received these woods. Three of these woods were issued at the Atlantic Provinces Wooden Money Meeting in April 2000. The fourth wood was issued for Andrew Savoy's high school class of 2000. All four woods are available from CAWMC member Bob Savoy 643 Beaverbrook Rd. Miramichi, New Brunswick E1V 4R4 for a SASE (self-addressed, stamped envelope).

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FREE WOOD OF THE MONTH

Our free wood for the month comes to us courtesy of our president Lou Vesh. Lou was able to purchase some extra Iroquois Falls, Ontario woods earlier this year and has donated large quantities to CAWMC. This wood is listed as # 5430 - 04 in our official Canadian wood listing. It is black both sides. Any information on the wood can be found in the "Reprint From The Past" by Norm Wells dated April 25, 1977 found on page three of this newsletter. Thank you, Lou.

Canadian Wood Chips: Golden Porcupine's Wooden Nugget



By Norman E. Wells

Located just south of the 49th parallel in north-eastern Ontario, the Town of Iroquois Falls is situated on the Abitibi River, about 20 miles west of Lake Abitibi.

About 30 miles south-east of Cochrane and 45 miles north-east of Timmins, Iroquois Falls, in the District of Cochrane, is said to enjoy a sub-arctic climate.

Since 1969, five pieces of wooden money have been issued for the area. Hopefully, this column will clarify the many names that appear on these pieces — names such as Calvert, Montrock, Iroquois, Ansonville and Gelinias.

Iroquois Falls is a one-industry town and in its early years was a closed company

town. It was owned by the Abitibi Paper Company whose founder, F.H. Anson, had obtained extensive wood limits and power rights in 1912. The townsite was incorporated in 1912.

Because it was a closed company town, those workers wishing to own land settled in adjoining townships. Settlements such as Montleith, Porcupine Junction, Calvert Township and the Village of Montrock developed.

The largest settlement was Ansonville, named after F.H. Anson. It was located in the Township of Calvert (incorporated 1918), south of and adjacent to Iroquois Falls.

On Jan. 1, 1969, annexation brought the town of Iroquois Falls into the Township of Calvert. However, on Jan. 1, 1971, the township of Calvert ceased to be and this municipality, very large in area, was granted town status under the name Iroquois Falls. (As a matter of interest, the area known as Ansonville is now Iroquois

Falls 'A', as is its post office.)

In 1969, the Calvert Coin Club issued its first wooden nickel to commemorate its third annual coin auction. This was the last coin show held by the club. Featured on the piece are the name Calvert Coin Club, the address of Ansonville and the date Apr. 13, 1969.

The president of the coin club, J. Gaston Gelinias, was also postmaster of the Ansonville post office. He decided to run for the office of president of the Ontario branch of the Postmasters Association in May, 1969, and had wooden nickels made to advertise his ambition. These were circulated among members attending the Ontario convention in Kingston. He won the election.

In October of the same year, Mr. Gelinias used the same wooden pieces for his bid for the office of president of the Canadian Postmasters Association at the national convention held in Ottawa. He was not successful, but

Wooden Nugget

the wooden money created a lot of talk and fun.

In 1971, the Calvert Coin Club issued wooden quarters for the Iroquois Winter Carnival. These pieces circulated at the carnival and were so popular that the idea was continued in 1972 and 1973. The first three issues from the town of Iroquois Falls feature an Indian Head on the obverse, while the last two show Jack Pine Joe and the Happy Log, symbol of the Logging Winter Carnival.

Winter carnivals were held in 1974 and 1975, but as the Calvert Coin Club was no longer active, wooden pieces were not issued. Unfortunately, none of the above woods are available as all issues are sold out.

TIMMINS NUGGET

The Timmins, Ontario, Coin Club struck a souvenir Wooden Nugget to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the club in 1975. The obverse features a mine headframe similar to the number 11 headframe of the

McIntyre Mine in Schumacher (now Pamour-Porcupine Mines, Schumacher Division).

Gold was first discovered in the Porcupine area in 1907, but with the staking of the rich claims which became Dome, McIntyre and Hollinger Mines in 1909, the Golden Porcupine was born.

Timmins was incorporated as a city on Jan. 1, 1973, when it acquired 34 townships including the town of Timmins and the municipalities of Schumacher, South Porcupine, Gold Centre, Porcupine, Hoyle and Connaught. With a population of only 42,500, but covering an area of 1,200 square miles, Timmins is now the largest (area wise) city in Canada. It includes all of the rich gold mining area known as the Porcupine Gold Camp and the more recently discovered base-mining operations, equally as rich.

The Timmins Coin Club has served the Porcupine gold mining area for more than 10 years and remains very active in the new large

community. Meetings for the club are held at 2 p.m. on the first Sunday of the month (excluding July and August) at the Timmins Community Centre. The club issues a monthly bulletin called the Golden Porcupine News and maintains a basic numismatic library.

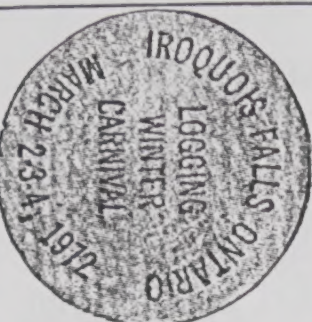
The Wooden Nugget issued by the club in 1975 was the second wooden token to be issued by the group. The first issue of 1,500 pieces was called the Golden Porcupine Wooden Quarter and commemorated Canada's largest city in 1973. That issue was completely sold out.

The 1975 souvenir Wooden Nugget may be obtained by writing to D.J. Smith, Box 1746, South Porcupine, Ont. P0N 1H0. The price is 25 cents each plus a self-addressed and stamped envelope. Also available for the same price is the 1973 South Porcupine Lion's Club Mardi-Gras wood.

I would like to thank Don Smith for the information contained in this column. The facts originally appeared in Timber Talk, the official bulletin of the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors.

INFORMATION

If you have any questions regarding Canadian Wooden money or tokens, or if you know of any recent issues, please write Norman E. Wells, Box 943, Peterborough, Ont.



Logging carnival wooden quarter



Calvert Coin Club token

PERSONALIZED CHRISTMAS AND HANUKKAH WOODS*by Jerry Remick*

Details on personalized 2000 Christmas and Hanukkah woods, supplied to me recently from five wood printers, are given in this article.

Please contact any of the wood printers you wish, immediately, in order to obtain their brochure showing designs, colours, shapes, sizes and price data, so that you can place your order as soon as possible. Mails are slow for packages and it takes time to print woods.

Your personal reverse for your issue of woods can include your municipality, 2000 and a short greeting or 'wooden nickel'. In addition, one of the wood printer's Christmas verses can be included on the reverse side of flat woods.

Round woods mailed to friends at Christmas time should be protected by thick cardboard or a piece from a 'bubble' envelope else they may be broken by machines that process the mail. Flat woods need little protection and are rarely broken in the mail.

The bright colours from a thin foil paper, on which the hot stamped process is used, are available only from Canadian wood printers. United States wood printers use coloured inks to print their woods,

CANADA WIDE WOODS - General Delivery, Gadshill, Ontario, Canada N0K 1J0, telephone 519 - 271 - 3352 Larry Walker and 519 - 273 - 1715 Bill Cousins offers thirteen designs for round Christmas woods and one Hanukkah design. They also have seven designs for flat woods. All woods are pictured on their four-page brochure.

If the firm receives a good Christmas design, they will have a die made for it free of charge. Round woods are available in 1.5 and 1.75 inches in diameter. One hundred round woods in 1.5 inch size are available at \$60.00. One hundred woods in 1.75 inch size are \$65.00. One hundred flat woods in 3.25 X 3.75 inch size, in cherry veneer wood are \$68.00. One hundred flat woods in 2 X 3 1/8 inch size in poplar wood are \$68.00.

A one page brochure showing thirteen different holiday verses plus a blank space below for two lines of text to include your name, address and/or 'One Wooden Nickel' are available for flat woods. You can also compose your own text for your reverse side. The thirteen prepared verses are in the following languages: English, French, Italian, English and French, and English, French and Spanish. A reverse die with your name etc. is \$25.00 additional, but it can be used in future woods as it is not dated. The obverse picture side is dated.

The design is hot stamped with a variety of bright foil colours available and a different colour may be used on each side at no additional cost. Canadians should add 7% GST and Ontario residents should add an additional 8% PST. Postage is extra. All prices are in Canadian dollars.

PERSONALIZED CHRISTMAS AND HANUKKAH WOODS *continued*:

NORM BELSTEN - 86 Hamilton Drive, Newmarket, Ontario, Canada L3Y 3E8 telephone 905 - 868 - 9187 has five obverse designs and six reverses with English Christmas verses and one French verse illustrated in his one page brochure for his white maple flats 2.75 X 3.5 inches.

From a selection of nine colours (red, green, light blue, dark blue, bronze, silver, gold, purple or black) , all applied by the hot stamped process, giving bright colours from a thin foil type paper, two different colours can be chosen for the obverse side and two different colours for the reverse. Under the verse on the reverse side, there are three lines left for wording of fifteen characters per line for the sender's name etc., at an additional cost of \$5.00 if a name die is required. One hundred flat woods are \$60.00 plus shipping and for Canadians applicable taxes.

Norm also has five different round obverses and an English and a French reverse to fit on a 1.5 inch diameter round maple wood. One colour per side can be selected from the nine colours above. Space on the reverse for the sender's name etc., on two lines of twelve characters per line at an additional cost of \$3.00 is available. One hundred hot stamped round woods are available at \$40.00 plus shipping and for Canadians applicable taxes. All prices are in Canadian dollars.

OLD TIME WOODEN NICKEL CO. - Attention Herb Hornung P.O. Box 18362, San Antonio, Texas 78218-0362, fax 210 - 832 - 8965, telephone toll free 800 750 - 9915 and 877 464 - 2535 offers nineteen designs in their brochure for 1.5 inch and 2 inch round woods for Christmas and also New Years and two designs for Hanukkah. One Christmas wood has a Spanish greeting.

One ink colour is allowed for both sides. A different colour for the second side is \$8.00 extra.

Woods 1.5 inches in diameter are priced as follows: 100 for \$30.00; 250 for \$40.00; and 500 for \$55.00.

Two inch woods are priced as follows: 100 for \$55.00; 250 for \$75.00; and 500 for \$100.00. There is no charge for the custom set-up of the sender's personal data for the reverse side.

Shipping is \$8.25 for up to one thousand woods for U.S. residents and \$19.00 per one thousand woods for Canadian residents. Visa and Master card are accepted. All of the above prices are in U.S. funds. This company can also make laser engraved woods.

JERRY LEDET: Bayou Products Co. P.O. Box 1117 Thiboudoux, Louisiana, 70302, telephone 504 447 - 8472, fax 504 447 - 8474, illustrates eight standard designs for 1.5 inch round Christmas woods and a lovely one for Hanukkah in his brochure.

Jerry offers one of his standard holiday designs for one side of a round wood and
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PERSONALIZED CHRISTMAS AND HANUKKAH WOODS *continued:***JERRY LEDET** *continued:*

the sender's personal data on the other side with a maximum of eighty characters and spaces at the following rates in U.S. funds; 100 woods for \$24.00 plus \$2.50 shipping for U.S. residents and \$2.90 for Canadian residents and 250 woods for \$29.00 plus \$3.00 shipping for U.S. residents and \$5.50 for Canadian orders. There is no extra charge for the side with the sender's name and other data.

From a selection of six ink colours, the issuer may choose one colour for both sides of their wood. If a different colour is desired for the second side, there is an additional charge of \$7.50. All of the above prices, unless indicated otherwise are in U.S. dollars.

JOHN LAWRENCE 25 North Wayne Ave., West Haverstraw, New York 10993, telephone 914 429 - 2802 can supply personalized holiday wood flats on 1/32 inch thick balsa wood in five different sizes. Three ink colours are used on both sides, with the issuer choosing the colours. John illustrates fifty-eight obverse designs for Christmas and Hanukkah wood flats and eleven reverse holiday verses in his six page brochure.

The price for the minimum order in U.S. funds of one hundred wood flats is as follows: 2 X 2.25 inch flats for \$22.75; 2 X 3 inch flats for \$31.75; 2 X 4 inch flats for \$37.75; 3 X 4 inch flats for \$43.75; and 3 X 5.5 inch flats for \$63.75. Postage is \$3.75 extra per order. There is no extra charge for your name and address on the reverse side or your own verse.

Also available are long, flat wood sticks, three-fifths inches wide by six inches long that resemble tongue depressors used by doctors. Two lines of text on one side with the 'five cents' symbol, if desired, at each end, all in two colours are available at twenty-five pieces for \$5.50 to one hundred pieces for \$15.50 plus \$3.75 postage. John originated this type of wood. All above prices are in U.S. dollars.

NEW WOODS: I recently received these two woods. Information on their availability is included.

President, **Lou Vesh** celebrated his 70th birthday in July and has issued this wood to recognize the event. Lou will send it to you for a SASE. His address is Box 144 West Guilford, Ont., K0M 2S0.



CAWMC member **Ron Zelk** has recognized his 40th birthday with the issuing of this wood. For a SASE, it is available from Ron. Address is Box 77575 - 592 Sheppard Ave. W., Downsview, Ont. M3H 6A7.

